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RESTORATION**

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The relevancy of the various patents are discussed in the accompanying search report of the German Patent Office.

A prompt action on the merits of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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